# **EDEXCEL Paper 1 Exam Analysis**



#### **LEARNING THEORIES**

## **2025**

UCS and NS – scenario (2)

SLT - scenario (4)

Calculate Chi-squared test – scenario (4)

Determine significance - scenario (1)

Systematic desensitisation for phobias (8)

## 2024

Quantitative data in observations – scenario (2)

Opportunity sampling – scenario (2)

Improvements to observation – scenario (4)

Strength of Bandura (1961) study (2)

Evaluate Pavlov's experiment (8)

#### 2023

Informed consent – scenario (2)

Calculate chi squared test – scenario (4)

Interpret the significance of Chi-squared test – scenario (1)

One strength and one weakness of behaviour shaping – scenario (4)

Discuss how learning theories explain phobias – scenario (8)

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Operant conditioning – scenario (2)

Classical conditioning – scenario (4)

Weaknesses of classical conditioning (4)

Evaluate Bandura (1965) study with vicarious reinforcement (8)

2021

Scientific Procedures Act (1986) – scenario (2)

Operationalised hypothesis – scenario (2)

Reliability – scenario (2)
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## 2020

Conditioned stimulus and conditioned response – scenario (2)

Procedure from own practical investigation (3)

Improvement in terms of validity – scenario (2)

Evaluate Watson and Rayner (8)

Two improvements for own practical investigation (4)

Systematic desensitisation – scenario (8)

#### **2019**

Observation – scenario (1)

Draw a bar chart – scenario (3)

Calculate chi squared test – scenario (4)

Statement of significance (1)

One weakness of quantitative data (1)

Discuss the Social Learning Theory – scenario (8)

### **2018**

Draw a bar chart – scenario (3)

One conclusion – scenario (2)

One methodological issue – scenario (2)

Classical conditioning – scenario (4)

Evaluate the usefulness of observational methods (8)

## **2017**

Define UCR and Extinction (2)

Practical issues of animals in research (4)

Observation in natural environment (3)

Key question in learning theories (8)

### **Specimen Practice Papers**

Learning Theory Practical aim (2), data collection (2), bar chart (3), strength (2) and improvement (2)

Social Learning Theory (8)

One-tailed hypothesis (2)

Reasons for Chi-squared (2)

Reliable observations (3)

Therapy for classical conditioning (3)

Key issue/ question (media influence) (8)

